

LIT Connections

March 31, 2021

1:00-2:00



I define connection as the energy that exists between people when they feel seen, heard, and valued; when they can give and receive without judgement; and when they derive sustenance and strength from the relationship.

~ Brene Brown

Present: Cheryle Wilcox, Diane Bugbee, Matt Schibley, Amy Lincoln Moore, Alice Maynard, Vickie Crocker, Karen Bielawski-Branch, Dana Robson, Krista Barbagallo, Jessica Coleman, Barb Joyal, Sandi Yandow, Danielle Bragg, Alicia Hanrahan, Jessica Coleman, Laurel Omland, Beth Goss, Cinn Smith, Julie Paglicia

The 4th LIT Connections meeting was held today. Thank you for joining us.

Topics discussed:

1. Progress Update-Matt Shibley, HCRS, Springfield LIT

- Matt shared the Springfield LIT Data Review progress report which shows annual data from their CSPs for January through December 2020
- Showed ages of youth who they had CSPs for, how many CSPs they had, where the referrals came from, notes about presenting concerns (top concerns included anxiety, emotionally problematic reactions, very aggressive), services sought
- Matt generously shared their report (attached to notes with this email) for others to look at
- How was this data gathered? In Springfield, there is a MH person at CSPs and they keep a copy of the plan and input the info. Into a spreadsheet

2. Follow up CSPs:

- If it is to review the plan and do updates, folks are considering that to be a follow up CSP and tracking it accordingly
- If there is a follow up meeting to a CSP but it is a team meeting not a CSP then the parent rep is not able to be there because of their funding mechanism.

3. How do regions handle CSPs where individuals are not clients of the MH system?

- Current or previous Clients – CSP gets uploaded into electronic health record
- For non-clients-enter de-identified data in the spreadsheet for data tracking and then shred CSP

4. How folks are managing trainings on CSPs:

- One region does two community trainings a year—they have done Zoom trainings during this past year.
- One region, mostly school social workers facilitate the CSPs so they are all trained each year and then provider trainings also occur.

5. **Tracking gender and sex assigned at birth** and how to be thoughtful about how we ask the question
- Agencies and CRC shared how they are asking this and the importance of being trained and thoughtful about how this is happening.
6. What are folks doing if there is a **request for a MH rep and there is no known connected provider**?
- They refer to one of their providers.
 - Do people then look up background information on the client in their EHR?
Don't necessarily look in the record for background detail but may see who else used to provide services through their agency especially to be prepared for the service grid portion of the CSP meeting.
7. Laurel will be sharing information soon about **summer programming** coming as we prepare for the transition for children and youth going back to in-person school, services, etc. If you have information about anything happening, you can send this to Laurel.Omland@vermont.gov
- What are agencies doing this summer? Smaller gatherings and outdoor programming—this is going to look different as things open back up again.
8. **Katie Becket Applications**
- If you have a denial that has occurred and you would like to talk that through you can reach out to the Director of Eligibility and Enrollment at DVHA, Molly.Sweeney@vermont.gov
 - Several years ago, a group looked at the Katie Becket process—the criteria didn't change and there is a close look at the risk of institutional language.